Air Force Academy. The United States is dually proud of the excellent leaders who have graduated from the Academy—both in the Air Force and civilian life.

On the anniversary of the historic opening of the Air Force Academy, we would also like to pay special tribute to those officers whose intelligence and forethought in the Academy's conception allowed for the enormous success that has been achieved by the institution during the past 40 years. These officers include Lt. Gen. Hubert R. Harmon, the first Superintendent and Father of the U.S. Air Force Academy; Col. (later Brig. Gen.) Robert F. McDermott, Dean; Col. William B. Taylor III, Assistant Chief of Staff (Special Projects); and Col. Robert V. Whitlow, Directors of Athletics. Without these special men and others like them, the Academy would not be the foundation of excellence it is today.

A SALUTE TO DORETTA E. OAKLEY

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 16, 1996

Mr. FOGLIETTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute Doretta E. Oakley on the occasion of her retirement from the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare.

On July 22, 1996, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will proudly join with Ms. Doretta Oakley on the occasion of her retirement from the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare. Ms. Oakley has served the Department of Public Welfare for 23 years in many capacities. She began her tenure with the State in 1974, when she became a clerk typist. Since that time, Ms. Oakley made her way up from budget clerk to income maintenance case-

worker and now employment training program counselor, she did that through hard work, compassion, and commitment. She has worked tirelessly over the years to see that many people within the Pennsylvania community were able to make the transition from welfare-to-work. Her inspiration and commitment to the true spirit of the Family Support Act of 1988 will long be remembered. After her retirement, she plans to do charity work at the Upper Room Baptist Church where she is currently an active member.

I proudly join with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare, Ms. Oakley's family and friends in recognizing her for her many years of service with the Philadelphia County Assistance Office. Doretta, I wish you health, happiness, and prosperity in your retirement years. It is well deserved.